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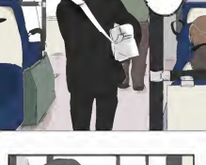

.....
I FORGOT... TO THANK HER.
AH
THAT WAS THE FIRST-TIME-I-TALKED TO MARUTO CHIYOKO.
NOT FEELING WELL?
DRUNK ALREADY?
HMM?
I DON'T ACTUALLY KNOW FOR SURE YET.
BUT IT SEEMS LIKE SHE'S DATING THIS GUY I KNOW FROM WORK ...
THERE'S THIS GIRL I USED TO KNOW. WHO I BULLIED A LONG TIME AGO.
NOW THINGS ARE COMPLICATED.
KUMA. YOU WERE A BULLY BACK THEN?
HOW AWFUL... WITH A SWEET FACE LIKE THAT I'D NEVER HAVE TAKEN YOU FOR A BAD GUY.
TODAY... I SAW HER IN FRONT OF THE TRAIN STATION, HANDING OUT TISSUES...
IT MADE ME REMEMBER THE PAST. SEEING HER SMILING FACE AND WATCHING HER WORK SO HARD.
I COULDN'T HELP MYSELF FROM TALKING TO HER.
AND THEN I GAVE A WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT.
THAT SORT OF THING ...
CLICK CLICK
CLICK

OOKUWA!
LET'S PLAY A GAME! A GAME~!

I'VE ALREADY DRANK A BIT THOUGH!
IF YOU WIN I'LL BUY YOU A DRINK.
REALLY?

CLACK

FROM THEN ON, EVERY TIME I SAW HER ON THE BUS,

HER EXISTENCE SLOWLY CREPT INTO MY AWARENESS.

BEFORE I REALIZED IT, SHE WAS ALL I THOUGHT ABOUT.

AND THEN... WE STARTED OCCASIONALLY WALKING HOME TOGETHER...
HEY
WANNA WALK HOME TOGETHER?

SURE, I GUESS.

I SEE YOU ON THE BUS SOMETIMES.
YE... YEAH.
ARE YOU A SECOND YEAR?

I... KNOW YOU!
WE TAKE THE SAME BUS... AND I KNOW WHAT STOP YOU GET OFF AT.
YOU'RE THE TALK OF THE GIRLS VOLLEY-BALL TEAM... I'VE HEARD A LOT.
YOU'RE DIFFERENT FROM OTHER GUYS. YOU'RE KIND... THAT'S WHAT EVERYONE SAYS.
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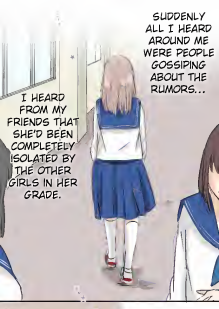
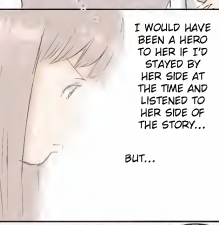
THUMP
THUMP
THANKS
FOR WAKING ME UP THE OTHER DAY!
THUMP
THUMP
YOU'RE WELCOME ...
AH
I'D END UP PUTTING HER THOUGH SO MUCH PAIN... I WOULD HAVE NEVER GUESSED BACK THEN.
BUT I NEVER THOUGHT THAT BY GETTING INVOLVED WITH HER,
SMASH!
UGH!
WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY!?
IT'S JUST SOMETHING I HEARD! I WASN'T THE ONE WHO SAID IT...
I WANNA KNOW WHO THE HELL SAID IT!!!
NO!!
DAMN IT
SENSEI!!
COME QUICKLY.

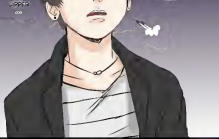

SUDDENLY ALL I HEARD AROUND ME WERE PEOPLE GOSSIPING ABOUT THE RUMORS...
I HEARD FROM MY FRIENDS THAT SHE'D BEEN COMPLETELY ISOLATED BY THE OTHER GIRLS IN HER GRADE.


I WOULD HAVE BEEN A HERO TO HER IF I'D STAYED BY HER SIDE AT THE TIME AND LISTENED TO HER SIDE OF THE STORY...
BUT...

AH I KNOW THAT GIRL, CHIYOKO MARUTO!
SOME UNDER-CLASSMEN WERE COM-PLAINING ABOUT HER, I DON'T REALLY REMEMBER THOUGH.
THE OTHER DAY SHE CAME UP TO ME AND ACCUSED ME OF STEALING HER SHOES.
I HAVEN'T BEEN THAT ANGRY IN A WHILE.
...!
EEH! I FEEL SO BAD FOR YOU...
AND SHE WAS SO RUDE TO ME! WAS DOES SHE THINK SHE IS...

THE MORE BADMOUTH-ING I HEARD, THE MORE DEPRESSED I GOT...
I THOUGHT IT'D BE BETTER IF I NEVER TALKED TO HER AGAIN ...

SORRY
I'M GOING OUT SOME CIGARETTES
GO AHEAD.


SLUMP
I DRANK TOO MUCH ...

MAYBE I SHOULD TRY GOING TO A MIXER...
...!

OH NO. IT'S REALLY LATE.
THERE'S NO BUS. I WONDER IF I SHOULD GET A TAXI.
I GUESS I COULD LIE TO IGARASHI AND ASK HIM TO COME GET ME...
R-rrrg
SZOOO
NOTHING. HE'S DEFINITELY SLEEPING. I WONDER HOW MUCH TAXIS COST?
THIS IS SO INCONVENIENT
BOOP
CLICK
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SORRY, SORRY OCHUMA-
WELCOME BACK
HAHAHA

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